

CONSERVATION MEASURE 41-05 (2008)
Limits on the exploratory fishery for *Dissostichus* spp.
in Statistical Division 58.4.2 in the 2008/09 season

Species	toothfish
Area	58.4.2
Season	2008/09
Gear	longline

The Commission hereby adopts the following conservation measure in accordance with Conservation Measure 21-02, and notes that this measure would be for one year and that data arising from these activities would be reviewed by the Scientific Committee:

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| Access | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fishing for <i>Dissostichus</i> spp. in Statistical Division 58.4.2 shall be limited to the exploratory longline fishery by Japan, Republic of Korea, Spain and Uruguay. The fishery shall be conducted by one (1) Japanese, four (4) Korean, one (1) Spanish and one (1) Uruguayan flagged vessels using longlines only. 2. Fishing is prohibited in depths shallower than 550 m in order to protect benthic communities. |
| Catch limit | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. The total catch of <i>Dissostichus</i> spp. in Statistical Division 58.4.2, in the 2008/09 season shall not exceed a precautionary catch limit of 70 tonnes applied as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SSRU A – 30 tonnes SSRU B – 0 tonnes SSRU C – 0 tonnes SSRU D – 0 tonnes SSRU E – 40 tonnes. |
| Season | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. For the purpose of the exploratory longline fishery for <i>Dissostichus</i> spp. in Statistical Division 58.4.2, the 2008/09 season is defined as the period from 1 December 2008 to 30 November 2009. |
| Fishing operations | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. The exploratory longline fishery for <i>Dissostichus</i> spp. in Statistical Division 58.4.2 shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Conservation Measure 41-01, except paragraph 6. |
| By-catch | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. The by-catch in this fishery shall be regulated as set out in Conservation Measure 33-03. |
| Mitigation | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. The exploratory longline fishery for <i>Dissostichus</i> spp. in Statistical Division 58.4.2 shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Conservation Measure 25-02, except paragraph 5 (night setting) shall not apply, providing that vessels comply with Conservation Measure 24-02. 8. Any vessel catching a total of three (3) seabirds shall immediately revert to night setting in accordance with Conservation Measure 25-02. |

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| Observers | 9. Each vessel participating in the fishery shall have at least two scientific observers, one of whom shall be an observer appointed in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation, on board throughout all fishing activities within the fishing period. |
| Research | <p>10. Each vessel participating in this exploratory fishery shall conduct fishery-based research in accordance with the Research Plan and Tagging Program described in Conservation Measure 41-01, Annex B and Annex C respectively.</p> <p>11. Toothfish shall be tagged at a rate of at least three fish per tonne green weight caught.</p> <p>12. Skates shall be tagged at a rate of at least one skate per five skates caught, up to a maximum of 500 skates per vessel.</p> |
| Data:
catch/effort | <p>13. For the purpose of implementing this conservation measure in the 2008/09 season, the following shall apply:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(i) the Five-day Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 23-01;</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">(ii) the Monthly Fine-scale Catch and Effort Reporting System set out in Conservation Measure 23-04. Fine-scale data shall be submitted on a haul-by-haul basis.</p> <p>14. For the purpose of Conservation Measures 23-01 and 23-04, the target species is <i>Dissostichus</i> spp. and by-catch species are defined as any species other than <i>Dissostichus</i> spp.</p> |
| Data:
biological | 15. Fine-scale biological data, as required under Conservation Measure 23-05, shall be collected and recorded. Such data shall be reported in accordance with the CCAMLR Scheme of International Scientific Observation. |
| Environ-
mental
protection | <p>16. Conservation Measure 26-01 applies.</p> <p>17. Conservation Measures 22-06 and 22-07 apply.</p> |